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SUBJECT: MOROKHOV RESPONSE ON BILATERAL SPENT FUEL STUDY

1. IN MARCH 29 CONVERSATION WITH MOROKHOV, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN STATE COMMITTEE FOR ATOMIC ENERGY, POLCOUNS REQUESTED MOROKHOV TO CLARIFY HIS RESPONSE TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN'S QUESTION ON MARCH 28 ABOUT SOVIET ATTITUDE TOWARDS BILATERAL TECHNICAL STUDY ON SPENT FUEL STORAGE UNDER THE EXISTING BILATERAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGREEMENT. IN THAT CONVERSATION, HARTMAN STATED OUR DESIRE TO COMMENCE SOME BILATERAL TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN NON-PROLIFERATION AREAS, PERHAPS UNDER BILATERAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGREEMENT. HE SUGGESTED FIRST AREA TO EXPLORE MIGHT BE QUESTION OF STORING SPENT FUEL. MOROKHOV DID NOT RESPOND DIRECTLY, BUT WENT OFF ON TANGENT ABOUT INTERNATIONAL REGIONAL STORAGE CENTERS AND PHYSICAL PROTECTION. POLCOUNS POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS NOT CLEAR FROM PREVIOUS DAY'S CONVERSATION WHETHER MOROKOV WAS DEFINITELY IN FAVOR OF SPECIFIC SUGGESTION ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN MADE ABOUT BILATERAL STUDY.

2. IN REPLY, MOROKHOV SAID THERE ARE MANY NON-PROLIFERATION AREAS WHERE BILATERAL COOPERATION IS POSSIBLE AND TECHNICAL SECRET

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STUDY OF SPENT FUEL STORAGE PROBLEMS IS ONE OF POSSIBILITIES. HE SAID IT WAS NOT CLEAR TO HIM FROM HARTMAN'S SUGGESTION JUST WHAT KINDS OF SPECIFIC TECHNICAL ISSUES SHOULD BE LOOKED AT BILATERALLY AND, THEREFORE, HE DID NOT WISH TO COMMIT HIMSELF ON THIS SPECIFIC STUDY BUT IN PRINCIPLE HE WAS POSITIVE. HIS FINAL COMMENT WAS THAT SINCE U.S. SIDE MADE PROPOSAL, INITIATIVE ON QUESTION RESTED WITH U.S.

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